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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on October 30, 2002, in connection with the above-identified U.S. Patent Application. The one-month period for response is set to expire on November 30, 2002. This response is therefore, timely filed.

Remarks 1 4 1

In the Official Action dated October 30, 2002, restriction has been required between the species associated with FIG. 1 (Species A), FIG. 2 (Species B), FIGS. 3, 5, and 6 (Species C),